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In the Matter of:

Amendment of Section 2.106 of the Commission's Rules to Allocate Spectrum at 2 GHz for Use by the Mobile-Satellite Service.

ET Docket No. 95-18

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COMMENTS IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Motorola Satellite Communications, Inc. ("Motorola") hereby supports the request of American Mobile Satellite Corporation ("AMSC") for approximately a two-month extension of time in which to file comments and reply comments in the above-captioned rulemaking proceeding. Motorola agrees with AMSC that the additional time will allow for additional meetings between Mobile Satellite Service ("MSS") interests and incumbent users of the affected bands, including fixed microwave services and broadcast auxiliary services, to discuss possible consensus solutions to the sharing, relocation and transitions issues presented by the Commission's proposals. In the long run, such discussions will result in a better understanding of these issues and allow for more meaningful and complete comments during the pleading cycle.

Moreover, this brief delay in the submission of comments to the Commission should not affect adversely the interests of any interested party to this proceeding. As the Commission is aware, preparations for WRC-95 are well underway, and the decisions reached at this Conference will have a significant impact upon any future U.S. allocations, especially those for global MSS systems which require worldwide spectrum allocations. Thus, irrespective of when comments are filed in this proceeding, the Commission should await the outcome of WRC-95 before adopting any of its MSS spectrum proposals. Similarly, the incumbent users of the 2 GHz spectrum should be benefitted by a slight delay in the comment cycle, since any relocation plans affecting them would be affected by the new MSS allocations.

Accordingly, Motorola supports AMSC's motion for extension of time to move the deadlines for submitting comments in this proceeding until May 5, 1995, and reply comments until June 6, 1995.

Respectfully submitted,

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